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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of : : C. Low
T. SHIMURA et al : : Group: 1653
Serial No.: 09/068,253 : : EX 24
Filed: June 9, 1998 : :
For: CARTILAGE/BONE...REPARATION : :

600 Third Avenue
New York, N.Y. 10016
February 26, 2003

REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Hon. Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Further to the above-identified application, Applicants
respectfully request that the period for response to the
outstanding office action be extended for three months until

February 27, 2003.

PTO Form-2038 is enclosed herewith authorizing that the
appropriate fee be charged to the American Express credit card
account # 3727-125685-62029 of the undersigned attorney. Should
any further extensions of time or fees be necessary in order to
maintain this application in pending condition, appropriate
requests are hereby made and authorization is given to debit
account # 02-2275.

Respectfully submitted,
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Enclosures